

2014 Pinot Noir Sta. Rita Hills

The 2014 Sanford Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir is a blend of fruit from our two estate vineyards: the historic Sanford and Benedict Vineyard (57%) and La Rinconada (43%). Both of these stellar vineyards are in the heart of the Sta. Rita Hills. A wide range of Pinot clones are planted on these sites, and our 2014 is a blend of 8 different clones from 9 separate blocks. 2014 was a warm dry year, resulting in rich, complex and well-structured and balanced wines.

Appellation: Sta. Rita Hills

Varietals: 100% Pinot Noir

Color: Bright red in color

Aroma: Black raspberry, orange peel and savory notes of anise and sage

Taste: Rich berry flavors balanced nicely by acid and tannin structure

Aging: Aged in French Oak barrels (30% new) for 10 months where it gained concentration and picked up hints of toast, bacon and clove

Brix at Harvest: 23.5

pH: 3.44

TA: 6.0 g/L

Alcohol: 14.5%

Bottling Date: August, 2015

UPC: 086891-07291-3

SCC: 10086891-08729-7 (NEW!)

Case: 6 pack

Features

- First winery to plant Pinot Noir in the Sta. Rita Hills
- The Sta. Rita Hills enjoy one of the longest growing seasons in California due to the unique east-west traversing valley
- Wines are hand-crafted by lot and produced sustainably

Benefits

- More than 30 years of tradition from a pioneering Santa Barbara Vintner
- Cool climate, maritime influenced conditions create ripe yet balanced flavors
- Microvinification allows for more control in blending, capturing the essence of the estate and the Sta. Rita Hills

Competitive Set:

- Belle Glos
- Patz & Hall
- Flowers

